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- (d) Except [in Baltimore City or in any municipal corporation described in § 21-706(c) of this article and except] as otherwise provided in this section, every school vehicle driver shall put in operation alternately flashing warning signals not less than 100 feet before bringing the vehicle to a full stop for the purpose of receiving or discharging passengers.
- (e) (1) This subsection applies only to a school vehicle being driven on the same roadway as another school vehicle in the act of loading or unloading passengers.
- (2) Except [in Baltimore City or in any municipal corporation described in § 21-706(c) of this article and except] as otherwise provided in this section, every school vehicle driver shall put in operation alternately flashing warning signals when stopping, after approaching from the rear or the front, within 100 feet of another school vehicle in the act of loading or unloading passengers.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect August 15, 1995.

Approved May 25, 1995.

## CHAPTER 497

(House Bill 974)

AN ACT concerning

## Vehicle Laws - Bicycle Helmets Required

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person under a certain age from operating or riding on a bicycle unless the person is wearing a bicycle helmet that conforms with certain standards; providing for the application of this Act; providing for the enforcement of this Act; providing for an exception to this Act; establishing certain penalties; authorizing a court to waive a fine assessed under this Act under certain circumstances; providing for the distribution and use of the fines collected; providing that the failure of a person to wear a bicycle helmet may not be considered evidence of negligence or contributory negligence and may not limit liability of a party or an insurer or diminish recovery of certain damages; establishing certain requirements for persons regularly engaged in the business of selling or renting bicycles; providing that this Act prevails over all local laws and regulations; authorizing the issuance of warnings for violations of this Act during a certain period; and generally relating to the mandatory use of bicycle helmets.

BY adding to

Article - Transportation
Section 21-1207.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1992 Replacement Volume and 1994 Supplement)